

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

A new title of the invention has been provided as required.

With regard to "Response to Arguments", Applicants still maintain that the disclosure of Watanabe '161 regarding overlap of a remaining number of frames with an image on the display device 24 is limited to a displayed still image. Watanabe does not teach or suggest displaying the recordable capacity calculated beforehand overlapped with a moving image. Furthermore, it is not apparent how the memory cartridge of Watanabe is used as a viewfinder, and it is not apparent how a moving image on such a viewfinder would be overlapped with a number of recordable still images calculated by a calculation portion previous to a user operation of an instruction member.

Therefore, the proposal in the rejection of Claim 27 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) to compensate for the deficiencies of Fujimori by incorporating features of Watanabe '161 is believed to be untenable.

To advance the prosecution of this application, Claim 27 has now been amended to recite that the detachable memory is for storing image data and to recite that the control

portion causes the display portion to display an indication that the memory is not attached, without displaying the moving image, when the memory is not attached to the camera body.

Inoue discloses displaying a message that a memory card is not attached to a camera, but the memory card in Inoue does not record image data. Inoue does not teach or suggest a control portion that causes a display to display an indication that a memory storing image data is not attached, without displaying a moving image, when such a memory is not attached to the camera body. This deficiency is not cured by any of the other references relied upon in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended Claim 27 and the claims dependent thereon should be allowed.

This application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and

has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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